IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 27 as proposed below. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(c)(1), a marked-up version of the claims is set forth at the end of this response under the heading "Marked-up Version of the Claims."

1. A composition comprising (i) an effective amount of an extract or compound obtained from the plant *Glycyrrhiza glabra* and (ii) a therapeutically effective amount of one or more nutraceuticals, antibiotics, anti-infective agents and anti-cancer agents, wherein said effective amount of said extract or said compound is insufficient for said extract by itself or said compound by itself to be a therapeutically effective nutraceutical, antibiotic, anti-infective agent or anti-cancer agent, and wherein said extract or said compound is effective as a bio-enhancer and bioavailability facilitator.

27. A composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein one-gram of licorice preparation or dried root is equivalent to 40 mg of glycyrrhizin.